

Complaint,

Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions have illustrated the dangers to true democracy. My father did not fight in Korea and my grandfather in WWI so that firms such as Sinclair can create an oligopoly and control information. This is a communist practice not a democratic one. Avoiding an oligopoly and monopoly we can have various view points of news. With out this democracy as we know it is destroyed. In turn our country is destroyed.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.

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